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SUBJECT: ECUADOR AND LIBYA ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

1. THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR ANNOUNCED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH FELLOW OPEC MEMBER LIBYA BEGINNING SEPT. 1, 1978. ACCORDING TO MARIO ALEMAN, DIRECTOR OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AFFAIRS, RELATIONS WERE ESTABLISHED AT THE REQUEST OF LIBYA AND WILL NOT INVOLVE THE APPOINTMENT OF RESIDENT AMBASSADORS. ALEMAN SAID THAT THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBYA WAS BASED ON ECUADOR'S DESIRE TO MAINTAIN FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES, BUT THAT IT WILL NOT HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON ECUADOREAN-LIBYAN RELATIONS.

2. THE ONLY ARAB COUNTRY THAT MAINTAINS A RESIDENT AMBASSADOR IN QUITO IS EGYPT. ONE OTHER ARAB COUNTRY, IRAQ, WHOSE AMBASSADOR IN CARACAS IS ALSO ACCREDITED TO ECUADOR, IS REPRESENTED BEFORE THE GOE.  
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